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SUBJ: VISIT OF SECRETARY SCHLESINGER TO UK - IISS MEETING
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1. RE THE IISS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 1100 HOURS SEPT. 26, BERTRAM CALLED EMBOFF TODAY TO SAY THAT IISS COUNCIL HAD MET IN MORNING TO CONSIDER MATTER OF SECDEF TALK AND ASKED THAT WE CONVEY FOLLOWING POINTS: (A) IISS IS HONORED AND LOOKS FORWARD TO A VISIT BY SECDEF; (B) IISS CANNOT "OFFER ITSELF AS A SHELL FOR SECDEF EXPOSURE TO THE MEDIA" AND THEREFORE DECIDED THAT "SECDEF'S ADDRESS (TALK) WILL BE ON THE RECORD" BUT THE QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD FOLLOWING IT "MUST BE OFF THE RECORD'. BERTRAM SAID "IT WOULD BE WRONG TO GET MEMBERS TOGETHER SIMPLY TO WITNESS A PRESS BRIEFING"; (C) HE SAID THAT IISS WOULD GLADLY CONSIDER "A SUBSEQUENT PRESS BRIEFING" AFTER THE TALK, Q&A PERIOD AND LUNCH. BERTRAM ASKS THAT WE HAVE ALL DECISIONS ON OUR SIDE MADE NLT COB 16 SEPT TO ENABLE IISS TO LAY ON PROGRAM. THEY HAVE PROVISIONALLY
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THE PROPOSED TALK. MAY WE HAVE YOUR GUIDANCE SOONEST.

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